

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Original) A discrimination medium comprising:
a multilayer film having plural light transparent films which are laminated and are different from each other in refraction index, the multilayer film having a surface; and
a breakable print recording layer provided at at least a portion of at least the surface of the multilayer film,
wherein when a predetermined condition is applied to a portion of the breakable print recording layer, the portion of the breakable print recording layer is removed from the discrimination medium.

2. (Original) A discrimination medium comprising:
a cholesteric liquid crystal layer having a circular polarization light selectivity of reflecting predetermined circularly polarized light and having a surface; and
a breakable print recording layer provided at at least a portion of at least the surface of the cholesteric liquid crystal layer,
wherein when a predetermined condition is applied to a portion of the breakable print recording layer, the portion of the breakable print recording layer is removed from the discrimination medium.

3. (Currently Amended) A discrimination medium according to claim 1-~~or~~2, wherein the discrimination medium further comprises:
a printed layer provided at at least a portion of the breakable print recording layer.

4. (Currently Amended) A discrimination medium according to claim 3, wherein the printed layer has substantially the same color as the color of the multilayer film ~~or the color of the cholesteric liquid crystal layer~~ when the multilayer film ~~or the cholesteric liquid crystal layer~~ is viewed from a predetermined direction.

5. (Currently Amended) A discrimination medium according to ~~one of claims 1 to 4~~claim 1, wherein

the discrimination medium further comprises:

an adhesive layer which is provided to the multilayer film ~~or the cholesteric liquid crystal layer~~ and includes a black pigment.

6. (Currently Amended) A discrimination medium according to ~~one of claims 1 to 5~~claim 1, wherein

at least a portion of the multilayer film ~~or the cholesteric liquid crystal layer~~ is subjected to hologram working or embossing.

7. (Currently Amended) A discrimination medium according to ~~one of claims 1 to 6~~claim 1, wherein

the discrimination medium further comprises:

an interlayer peeling structure or a peeling breaking structure at at least a portion of the multilayer film ~~or the cholesteric liquid crystal layer~~.

8. (Original) A discrimination medium according to claim 5, wherein

the discrimination medium is provided to an article,

the adhesive layer is composed of transformable adhesive or peelable adhesive, and one of a character, a symbol, and a pattern is formed and discriminated on the article or the discrimination medium when the adhesive layer is peeled from the discrimination medium.

9. (Currently Amended) A discrimination medium according to ~~one of claims 1 to 4~~claim 1, wherein

the breakable print recording layer and the printed layer are provided to at least portions of both sides of the multilayer film ~~or the cholesteric liquid crystal layer~~.

10. (Original) A discrimination method for discriminating a discrimination medium, wherein the discrimination medium comprising:

a multilayer film having plural light transparent films which are laminated and are different from each other in refraction index, the multilayer film having a surface; and

a breakable print recording layer provided at at least a portion of at least the surface of the multilayer film,

wherein when a predetermined condition is applied to a portion of the breakable print recording layer, the portion of the breakable print recording layer is removed from the discrimination medium,

wherein the discrimination method comprising:

observing the discrimination medium from one or more predetermined viewing angles.

11. (Original) A discrimination method for discriminating a discrimination medium, wherein the discrimination medium comprising:

a cholesteric liquid crystal layer having a circular polarization light selectivity of reflecting predetermined circularly polarized light and having a surface; and

a breakable print recording layer provided at at least a portion of at least the surface of the cholesteric liquid crystal layer,

wherein when a predetermined condition is applied to a portion of the breakable print recording layer, the portion of the breakable print recording layer is removed from the discrimination medium,

wherein the discrimination method comprising:
observing the discrimination medium via an optical filter allowing a predetermined circularly polarized light to selectively pass therethrough.

12. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 2, wherein

the discrimination medium further comprises:

a printed layer provided at at least a portion of the breakable print recording layer.

13. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 12, wherein

the printed layer has substantially the same color as the color of the cholesteric liquid crystal layer when the cholesteric liquid crystal layer is viewed from a predetermined direction.

14. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 2, wherein

the discrimination medium further comprises:

an adhesive layer which is provided to the cholesteric liquid crystal layer and includes a black pigment.

15. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 2, wherein
at least a portion of the cholesteric liquid crystal layer is subjected to hologram
working or embossing.

16. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 2, wherein
the discrimination medium further comprises:
an interlayer peeling structure or a peeling breaking structure at at least a portion of
the cholesteric liquid crystal layer.

17. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 14, wherein
the discrimination medium is provided to an article,
the adhesive layer is composed of transformable adhesive or peelable adhesive, and
one of a character, a symbol, and a pattern is formed and discriminated on the article
or on the discrimination medium when the adhesive layer is peeled from the discrimination
medium.

18. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 2, wherein
the breakable print recording layer and the printed layer are provided to at least
portions of both sides of the cholesteric liquid crystal layer.